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**VIA ECF**

Honorable Paul A. Crotty  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl St.  
New York, NY 10007-1312

**UNITED STATES v. JOSHUA SCHULTE**  
**1:17-cr-00548**

Dear Judge Crotty,

I, along with Kenneth Smith, of the law firm The Law Offices of Kenneth F. Smith, PLLC, represent defendant Joshua Schulte in the above-captioned matter. I wish to respectfully inform Your Honor that subject to the Court's approval, I intend to withdraw as co-counsel of record on behalf of Joshua Schulte. I do so with the consent and approval of my client. Mr. Smith will remain as counsel of record.

Thank you for your courtesy in this and all other matters.

Very truly yours

/s/  
Alex Spiro

cc: All parties (via ECF)